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TORNADOS TO PLAY HERE? - Melbourne talks

From MARTIN ASTON in Sydney

Dallas Tornado, one of America's newly-formed Professional League Soccer clubs wants to play a couple of matches in Melbourne early next February.

The club, which is owned by Lamar Hunt, a multi-millionaire in oil, is undertaking a remarkable five-month world tour starting at the end of this month.

Mr. Hunt's administrative advisor, Paul Waters, a 37-year-old attorney in law, will be in Melbourne next week to speak to any club which might be interested in playing against Dallas Tornado.

He made a one-day stop-over in Sydney last week to begin negotiations for a series of games in Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, Newcastle and Brisbane.

The most surprising thing about the tour being undertaken by Dallas Tornado is that the team has yet to play a match.

Mr. Hunt and his associates are budgeting to spend half a million dollars in the next three years in a bid to develop the Tornadoes into a money-making proposition.

The club will play in the United Soccer Association, which is affiliated to the world body F.I.F.A.

The extent of these Texans to think big is staggering.

They began by appointing Robert Kapuskin, a former Yugoslav international who has since changed his name to Bob Kap, to make a tour of Europe recruiting young players.

Kap has gradually come up with a group of 17 youngsters from countries such as Yugoslavia, Norway, Denmark, England and Scotland whose average age is only 20.

BIG CONTRACT

Each player has been signed to a contract worth from $10,000 to $15,000 a year.

This is an almost unbelievable amount to pay an unknown youngster who is a virtual tyro by international standards.

"They're young, sure they're young", Mr. Waters told me as we had dinner at Sydney's Journalists' Club.

"And I'm not trying to kid anybody that we have a bunch of Eusebios and a bunch of Peles.

"They lack pro-experience, but they have potential — and we are looking to the future."

The club will begin the tour with a couple of games in Lisbon, and from there will go to Spain, Corsica, Istanbul, Cyprus, Iran, Pakistan, India, Ceylon, Burma, Singapore and Indonesia.

LOOK OUT! LOCKHURST IS THERE

Juventus forward Terry Lockhurst found his way past Alexander's half back Rizos Rizos in last Saturday's clash at Olympic Park.

Rugged play dominated most of the game and Rizos from Alexander and George Scott, Juventus, received marching orders. Alexander's 1-0 win over Juventus was one of the upsets of last week's Dockerty Cup round.

For pictures from the Polonia v. St. Albans clash turn to page 8.

Picture by UWE KUESSNER.

Summit talks here

By FRED VILLIERS

A meeting between the N.S.W. Federation and Victorian Federation will be held in Melbourne, on October 28.

Michael Weinstein, V.S.F. chairman, confirmed that a letter has been received from N.S.W. asking for the Summit Talks.

The Victorian Federation has accepted and is looking forward to the meeting and a cordial welcome will be given to the men who run the game in the Harbour City.

Soccer News hopes this meeting will develop a new image between the two big Soccer States. The Victorian officials realize that N.S.W. probably will not agree to all the 19 points presented to them by the V.S.F. in Sydney last month, but surely they will agree to some.

If they do not agree to them all, at least they will know what is dividing the two States.

It is hoped that these differences of opinion will become smaller and the men at the top get together for the sake of the game and its future.

Our Soccer is such a long way behind world class and so much behind other Asian countries that we must all pull together if we are to succeed.

Fans are not interested in these internal squabbles. They want to see first-class Soccer now — not in 20 years' time.

And the first thing the Big Shots must do in Melbourne on October 28 is to arrange a couple of games between N.S.W. and Victoria, one in each State. It's long overdue.

Soccer News has already offered a Cup for the games but apparently no one is interested.

Spectators attack Giacometti

By MARTIN ASTON

Johnny Giacometti, the Apia (Sydney) star, was attacked by two spectators as he left the field at half time in last Sunday's match against South Sydney Croatia.

"They spat on me and called me an Italian thief", he told me later.

"One of them tried to punch me, but I grabbed him by the arm."

Giacometti was rescued by his captain Filippo Bottalico and a group of Apia officials in a spiteful incident involving about 20 people.

Apia's team manager John Provera was punched on the side of the head and knocked to the ground in the struggle.

"I don't care . . . all I wanted to do was to prevent anyone from kicking Giacometti and stopping him from playing in the second half", said Mr. Provera.

Giacometti made the best possible reply to his attackers when he returned to the field for the second half.

He scored one of the most remarkable goals ever seen at the ground with a dipping, dropping, tantalising lob from 45 yards out.

And don't be sceptical at the distance from the goal from which Giacometti took the kick.

A group of Apia officials led by vice-president Vic Capelletto went onto the ground at the end of the game and paced out step by step the distance of Giacometti's cunning lob.

Oops, sorry!

Oops, sorry about that! It was reported in last week's Soccer World, the green paper, that Hakoah (Sydney) goal-keeper Duncan Wilson's wife had just given birth to their second child.

Which is all very nice . . . but Wilson isn't married!

LET'S TALK LIKE CIVILIZED PEOPLE

By DR. CHARLES WALKER, M.D., Life Member of the Victorian Soccer Federation

When in the late 1950's, "the new emerging Soccer forces", staged their further revolution in New South Wales (there were some before), their first "progressive" move was to be kicked out of the Australian and International Soccer bodies, for conduct derogatory to the game.

In 1962, another revolution took place, and by threats and extortions that players would be taken from other States without a transfer, were able to force other States to join. They promised all things.

For a while it seemed that they were going to reform especially when they decided to rejoin F.I.F.A., by giving the clubs practically a free hand to run Soccer and by banning not only foreign names for Soccer clubs, but also banning international home competition.

There was quite a short honeymoon and the Castros, who at that time ran our sport, with a big noise and less ability, were slowly pushed out by others of the same kind.

Shortly afterwards, two new men appeared on the Soccer scene; Sir William Walkley and Jim Bayutti. I, like many others, thought that sanity would return to Soccer. Sir William was unknown to Soccer circles, but certainly with his background and standing I was sure that dignity would return. Mr. Bayutti with his club background (Apia) could also have been a great asset to the game.

After a short time, Mr. Bayutti forgot his club and started to play "Mr. Soccer" with the big boys. After disagreements with his co-workers and other States, he resigned.

Before doing so, he abused everybody, stating that Victoria was 25 years behind the times in Soccer and in his last appearance on television he viciously attacked and tried to ridicule Australian Rules.

First of all, it is a leading game in some States, and by doing so it did not improve the standing of Soccer nor its leading administrators.

Anyhow, it is old history, it is dead and buried now. Although Mr. Bayutti claims that some friends asked him not to resign, I was surprised that he did not get the same encouragement from his immediate superior, Sir William Walkley, with whom he was to run Soccer.

On August 23 this year, I read the correspondence written by Terry Smith in "The Australian", in which he stated that Sir William may resign as president of the Australian Soccer Federation. In an interview granted to the writer, Sir William did not move a finger at Mr. Bayutti's resignation, but was quite outspoken when Mr. Parsons, N.S.W. Federation President, did so.

Mr. Parsons resigned with dignity, without attacking anybody, but stated that he would not co-operate with people who did not follow a sensible policy; not so Sir William. He mixed politics and racialism with an international sport such as Soccer. He allegedly stated that he wanted Australians to run the game.

Of course, he was right in saying that they could do so, but unfortunately, up to date, Australians do not have any inclination to run Soccer any differently than a paddock sport. They would rather play Australian Rules and Rugby, which in my book, are sports as good as Soccer.

If Sir William knew the history of Soccer in Australia, he would have to admit that after the first war, Soccer boomed because of the influx of British migrants and after the second war, it further developed through the influx of Continentals and British migrants.

Australians, with perhaps the exception of N.S.W., were not inclined to play Soccer in spite of the fact that Victoria did a lot to promote the game in schools. Maybe in future, we in Victoria, will see some more Australian juniors joining the game, but for the time being, it is only a dream.

As things stand now in Victoria, league Soccer is run mostly by dedicated Continentals with some British migrants and the players consist, with a few exceptions, of migrants too.

These are the facts and we in Victoria promote Soccer, not along the lines of South Africa, but welcome any migrants or Australians, independant of their creed, color or religion to play the game: A few years back we had an excellent Sunday International competition, which not only did not cause any international friction but on the contrary produced closer ties and goodwill between nations who participated in it.

This really helped to integrate the migrants and taught them about sport as Australians know it. England played Scotland without thinking of any separatism. England played Ireland without any thought of politics. There were other nations participating, including Australia.

This competition produced fewer incidents on the field, which had to be dealt with by the disciplinary committee, and less frequently than any league competition and the Dockerty Cup.

The Sydney administrators are inclined to blame the contra-revolutionary infiltrators from Victoria for the decline of Soccer.

My contention is that it is time to finish this permanent revolution and start talking like civilised people. If they are unable to do so, the sooner they get out, the better for the game.

Jimmy's big contract

By FRED VILLIERS

Jimmy Armstrong, Hakoah's prolific goalscorer, will be signing the biggest contract of his life on December 23.

Jimmy, the Middle Park club's 24-year-old inside forward, wil marry Miss Denise Moore, of Pascoe Vale South.

She's an Australian school-teacher and met Jimmy at Broadmeadows Tech. where he's physical education teacher.

Denise teaches at Glenroy Tech. and she has become quite a Soccer fan since she met Hakoah's star forward.

Jimmy left Glasgow, Scotland, nearly two years ago to make his home in Melbourne.

He hasn't seen his 62-year-old mother since and will fly her out for the wedding.

"I've been saving my Soccer earnings to pay for the trip," Jimmy told me yesterday.

"Mum's never been out of the country before and she's looking forward to the trip very much", he added.

MANFRED LOST HIS TOOTH

Manfred Schaefer, the St. George Budapest wing half, had a tooth knocked out in last Sunday's N.S.W. round robin play off match against Pan Hellenic.

And he was not the only player to suffer a facial injury.

South Sydney Croatia's Tom Snedden suffered a nasty gash over his eye which was stitched by a doctor at half time in the game against Apia .

Four stitches were inserted in the cut.

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WESTERN SUBURB UNDER 12 LEAGUE CHAMPIONS — ALTONA "A" (Left to right) Back row: A. Donnelly, Mr. Collins (Sec.), P. Thomson, R. Gilpin, R. Gramsbergen, R. Dunlop, T. Gibson, V. Vella (Coach); Front row: S. Hayes, A. Spencer, B. Roberts, G. Bebend, N. Little (Capt.), P. Reardon, R. O'Sullivan.

ALTONA, SECOND DIVISION METROPOLITAN LEAGUE WINNERS. (Left to right) Back row: C. Karamatos, K. Vanderpole, J. Bailish (Capt.-Coach), I. Roberts, B. Malloy, B. Rose, B. Coles, A. Rice; Front row: B. Flynn, M. Grego, B. Wilkie, C. Copley, S. Herman.

By GEORGE YELLAND

Meet five-year-old Nick Little, an up-and-coming Soccer star.

You'll see him in action every Sunday at noon in the Altona State Schools competition, at Kim Reserve, Millers Road.

He's scored 35 goals in seven games and he's a centre forward with a kick like a mule.

You'll be hearing more about this little chap.

Nick has a brother, John, whom I watched playing last Sunday.

FIVE YEARS of age, TWO FEET SIX INCHES tall and weighing almost 2½ stone.

This little fellow raced up and down that field and cut in from the wing to come within an ace of scoring.

Keen to learn and, even now, showing talent, he lives and breathes Soccer.

An inspiration to any youngster, he's seen here with 6 ft. referee, David Yelland.

Altona sure believes in getting them young.

Great things are being done for the game, among the schoolboys, down Altona way.

There should be more of it.

State League ambition

By MARTYN HARRIS

Congratulations to Altona on attaining First Division status for next season. It has been a wonderful season for the Altona club and they're already planning for next year's campaign which will be one of their most important in their short history.

Altona was only formed in February, 1965, when the Williamstown United Soccer Club was taken over.

One of the hardest workers at this stage was Mr. J. Todd, who firmly believed that Soccer would get a better deal in Altona which is now recognised as one of Soccer's most progressive suburbs.

The club has a good following and they often get 400 supporters to a home game and as the standard rises they're confident the crowds will increase.

Altona gained promotion in their first season accompanying Frankston into the 2nd Division in 1965.

Their staunchest supporter is president Mr. L. C. Noordenne and he's donated the Noordenne Cup for annual competition between clubs in Western Suburbs. Present holders are Sunshine City who beat Altona 2-1 in the final.

The club has a five-year plan to enter State League and they made an important signing this year when they gained utility player, Keith van der Poel, from J.U.S.T.

Keith has taken a while to settle into the tempo of Metro Soccer, but is proving to be a sound investment.

One of the club stars is Steve Herman whose dynamic play has led to many a goal this season and it's a wonder a State League club hasn't snapped him up.

In the Flinders Naval Depot six-a-side tournament Altona also have a fine record and although they've never won the trophy, in 1965 and 1966 they finished runners-up.

And in 1965, Altona reached the closing stages of the Dockerty Cup finally bowing out to Slavia by 4-0, but nevertheless, a creditable performance.

Finance is always a problem and Altona tackle this with zest. They run a monthly dance in the Altona Youth Club, Civic Parade, Altona and they've been an outstanding success.

This season they ran a membership drive with all new members receiving a club booklet which is numbered and at the end of the season a draw is made with the winner getting a week's holiday for two at a Manly Guest House.

Any club relies a great deal on the committee and in Altona they have a very active one that includes Messrs. S. Hughes, R. Haugh, L. Trickett, V. Vella, T. Mochon, and F. Gramsbergen.

Vice-president is John Mather who is also on the metropolitan Management Committee and you couldn't get a harder working official who is Altona through and through.

The man in charge of finance is treasurer, Mr. W. Blenkhorn. Social Secretary is Mr. Elwin.

There's no doubt about it, Altona is a club that's well organised and has a bright future.

NEXT WEEK

"The Altona Success Story" by J. W. Collins.

Put Hughes in squad

By JIM COOK

Why has big centre forward Tony Hughes, of Footscray J.U.S.T., been omitted from the Victorian list of players who have began training to gain selection in the Australian national team to tour Asia?

The six-foot plus Welshman has banged in 20 goals this season despite missing a few games and has finished up joint individual leading scorer with Attila Abonyi, of Melbourne.

Tony is strong on the ball, good in the air and has a powerful finishing shot — all the attributes of a good centre.

And what more does a centre have to do other than score a barrowload of goals to warrant at least the chance of inclusion.

Running the rule over the Victorian "squad", I reckon only a third of them and this means only four, will have strong possibilities of inclusion in the national team. More than a few have no hope in my book in making the trip to Asia.

STATE LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Melbourne	22	16	2	4	47	16	34
Juventus	22	14	4	4	39	21	32
Croatia	22	11	5	6	41	25	27
Sth. Melb. Hellas	22	10	7	5	50	36	27
Footscray	22	11	4	7	45	51	26
Hakoah	22	11	3	8	41	32	25
Pt. Melb. Slavia	22	10	3	9	35	34	22
George Cross	22	6	5	11	36	43	17
Polonia	22	7	2	13	41	45	16
Lions	22	4	6	12	25	39	14
Alexander	22	4	5	13	24	48	13
Preston Makedonia	22	4	2	16	27	61	10

(This division is now complete)

Other games

Harry Armstrong Reserve Cup games: Saturday.

Polonia v Dandenong (Verniers) Brooklyn Speedway.

Sunshine City v Elwood Austria (Alexandrou) Sunshine.

NORTH OF YARRA

Cup final results: under 12 winner Croatia; runner-up Box Hill.

Under 14 Alexander; George Cross.

Under 18 George Cross Northcote.

Open age Roma, Catania.

Under 16: As Glenroy and George Cross drew, there will be a re-play at a later date. For the purposes of the JMC Cup, north federation u-16's will be represented by these two teams in that order.

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SENIOR DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Pegasus	15	10	3	2	62	21	23
Rangers	14	11	—	2	62	15	22
Newborough	14	9	2	3	55	13	20
Monash	14	6	4	4	47	29	16
Falcons	14	8	—	6	27	34	16
Fortuna	13	5	4	4	26	26	14
Moe	15	4	2	9	31	56	10
Warragul	14	1	1	12	15	60	3
R.A.A.F.	13	1	—	12	14	87	2

RESERVE DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Pegasus	13	12	1	—	57	15	25
Rangers	12	8	2	2	51	19	18
Fortuna	13	7	—	6	42	39	14
Wonthaggi	13	5	1	7	13	32	11
Moe	12	5	—	7	43	42	10
Newborough	11	3	2	6	35	33	8
Monash	12	2	2	8	17	45	6
Falcons	12	2	2	8	18	55	6

UNDER 10 DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Rangers	7	6	—	1	29	3	12
Newborough	7	5	2	—	31	4	12
Yallourn	7	5	1	1	23	2	11
Monash	7	3	—	4	18	9	6
Fortuna	7	2	2	3	6	8	6
Moe	7	2	1	4	16	19	5
Koalas	7	—	2	5	3	39	2
Rovers	7	—	1	6	4	39	1

UNDER 12 DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Monash	7	7	—	—	61	0	14
Moe	7	6	—	1	34	9	12
Fortuna	7	3	1	3	8	9	7
Pegasus	7	3	1	3	5	21	7
Newborough	7	2	2	3	10	24	6
Rangers	7	2	1	4	8	13	5
Yallourn	7	1	2	4	5	28	4
Falcons	7	—	1	6	2	27	1

UNDER 14 DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Monash	5	4	1	—	48	6	9
Moe	5	4	1	—	15	3	9
Pegasus	5	4	—	1	23	4	8
Fortuna	6	3	—	3	28	12	6
Spartans	4	1	—	3	5	25	2
Wonthaggi	4	1	—	3	2	35	2
Yallourn	5	—	—	5	4	37	—

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Winners: Shopwell Trophy — Pegasus (Reserves).
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Some seven years ago Apia made a trip to Victoria as guest of Juventus S.C., but today hardly anyone remembers the events, let alone the score which sealed the match.

It seems, amid contradictory reports, that the teams met at the Showgrounds when the host team was half away for another friendly meeting with some country team.

Whatever the result might have been, the Apia team was not then a big force as it is to-day and certainly not up to the standard of Juventus who was just fresh from winning the Premiership, and runner-up to the Dockerty Cup.

Of course, Apia have been here since on a number of occasions to play Australian Cup ties (and in sizeable lumps with their representatives in the N.S.W. and National teams) with a crescendo of successes.

But this is the first time in recent times, or at least since the Federation was formed, that Apia have accepted a challenge from Victoria to meet a side in a friendly match.

We welcome you back Apia!

The Associazione Polisportiva Italo-Australiana, as Apia is officially titled, was founded in 1954 for the purpose of "providing a pastime and a sportive outlet" for the members of the Italo-Australian community of the City of the Bridge.

Later, a social club was established, mainly to provide the team with the ever necessary funds to keep it going. But as the Soccer team went on and on, so were rising the financial requirements much to the envy of other sports within the Club. In short, Apia Soccer was soon ousted from the Club. amid mixed feelings among members.

By this stage, the team had already worked its way up to the second division of N.S.W., piling victories at the order of the day, but getting nowhere because of the odd set up then in force in N.S.W. with the so-called "league": a limited number of clubs which kept to themselves with the "no relegation - no promotion" rule.

This was a sorry state of affairs which pleased no one, save those in the "league". Of course, Apia and other N.S.W. teams resented this system and were getting more and more frustrated at each rejection of lawful attempts of gaining admission in the league or for a change in the set up.

LUIGI PIGNATELLI, the new Juventus inside forward from Foggia, Italy, steps down from the Alitalia plane at Sydney airport last week.

Then the revolution of 1961. Apia was among the leaders of the coup which led to toppling of the "League" and the subsequent re-birth of Soccer in N.S.W. and eventually all Australia.

But it was not before ten years from foundation day that Apia began reaping the "big ones" of Soccer. Their first achievement was the winning of the 1964 N.S.W. premiership with replicas in 1965, 1966 and this year. In 1966 their tally was completed with the winning of the Australian Cup and the N.S.W. Federation and Ampol Cups.

Through Giacometti, Apia have led the goal scorers list for the last three seasons. Their juniors have featured well taking a handful of trophies while giving to the team such talented players as Taylor and Campbell: proof that planned junior management can and will give dividends, besides developing local talent an all important factor for tomorrow's Soccer.

From its ranks, from time to time, several players have stripped for both the N.S.W. and the Australian team. Among the many, towers the figure of Pat Hughes, the captain of the Australian and N.S.W. squads.

Apia's party to Melbourne will include (also probable line up):

1. **B. Taylor** (aged 19). Local product, very promising.
2. **C. van Blerk** (27). Very experienced full back. Capped for N.S.W. and Australia.
3. **S. Ackerley** (24). Another N.S.W. and Australian representative. His brother plays for S.M. Hellas.
4. **P. Hughes** (28) Captain of the Australian and N.S.W. squads. One of the best half backs in the Commonwealth. Former U.K. professional.
5. **J. Watkiss (26).** Another State and National player. Normally a forward, was moved to half back line with success.

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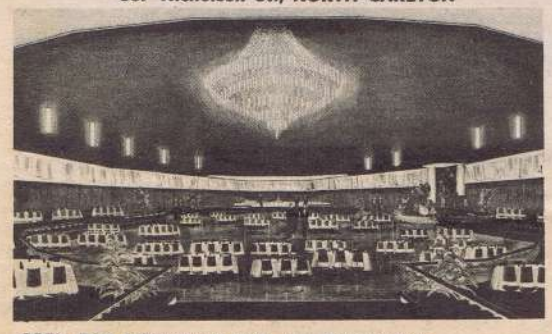

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Guiliana is an ardent supporter of Juventus who together with the other five entrants are working hard to make this the Social Event of the Year a huge success.

The quest is organised by the tireless Juventus Ladies' Social Committee and the energetic Juventus Younger Set.

6. **P. Bottalico** (29). Captain of Apia, mastermind behind Apia's attacks. Played for N.S.W. Excellent coordinator.

7. **W. E. Campbell** (17). Was appointed for one season with Chelsea. Local product, has already been selected for the N.S.W. team.

8. **R. Campana** (29). Former Columbian international. Played in the N.S.W. team. Excellent link man.

9. **A. Blue** (29). Former J.U.S.T. player. Represented Victoria, N.S.W. and Australia. Dangerous at any given time.

10. **W. Kerklaan** (27). Former Dutch professional. Played for a spell with Melbourne Lions. Tireless.

11. **J. Giacometti** (31). The wonder of Australian Soccer. Capped for N.S.W. and for Australia. Top goal scorer for the last three years. Has the making of being the Stanley Matthews of Australia.

Reserves: R. Rivero, utility forward. G. Nuttal, defender; in his hey days played for N.S.W. and Australia. M. Mazzina, goalkeeper and coach, Argentinian professional player. Defended Apia's goal before Taylor's time.

Officials: Eddie Provera, President. John Provera, Team Manager.

The party will fly by TAA (flight 411 arriving at Essendon at 11 a.m.) and will lunch at the Riverside Inn.

We wish them luck in their encounter with Juventus. — (E. Ma.)

THE BIG CLASH

The long eagerly awaited big match Soccer loving fans' dream come true.

JUVENTUS versus APIA the battle of the giants at ST. KILDA CRICKET GROUND on Show Day, Thursday, September 28.

The Juventus boys are all keyed up for the big game, they will be out to prove to their loyal supporters two things.—

1. That their bad showing last week-end against Alexandria was only a let down after their hard tussle with Melbourne for the 1967 State League Premiership.

2. That Apia can be beaten. Mario Corti, Juventus Coach, is making sure that his charge will be in tip-top condition and all in the Juventus camp are confident of toppling the Australian Champs.

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The Boys will be playing before an expected record crowd in a curtain raiser against Juventus Reserves preceding the BIG GAME JUVENTUS v. APIA on Show Day, Thursday, September 28, at the St. Kilda Cricket Ground.

Juventus look to young clubs of Fitzroy Azzurri S.C. and West Preston — Inter S.C. as a nursery ground for their future stars. They finished the season 1st and 2nd, respectively.

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FOCUS ON ACTION with Uwe Kuessner

Our Camera was at Olympic Park to record the first round of Dockerty Cup matches between Polonia v. St. Albans and Alexander v. Juventus.

TOP LEFT: Giant Basil Kourkoulakis is high above Jimmy Malloy after heading the ball clear of goal.

TOP RIGHT: The unhappiest man of the day, St. Albans keeper Bobetic watches as the ball hits the net. He did it seven times.

BELOW LEFT: Polonia's Adamczyk in a goal mouth scramble with keeper Bobetic. Hidden is Franz Marth.

BELOW RIGHT. Kaz Kowalec is tackled by St. Albans Franz Marth.

JIMMY MALLOY, Juventus forward, throws his arms up in disgust. He wasn't too popular on Saturday after missing three goals for the Italian club.

You were my Sunshine!

Metropolitan Round Up by MARTYN HARRIS

Sunshine City put up one of the best performances ever by a Metro club when they toppled State League champions, Melbourne, 1-0, in the Dockerty Cup, last Saturday.

A solitary goal by Alby Seenan in the 25th minute was enough to do the damage and City will play Alexander in the next round.

One can only offer praise to the City boys who fought for every ball, backed each other up and never at any stage did they get overawed by the occasion.

If one had to pick a star or stars in the City side then Bill Johnson and Roy Cochrane would be the pick but they all put on a great show and their non-stop action completely unsettled the Melbourne machine.

Sure Melbourne had a few reserves, but the dangermen for them this season, Abonyi, Stoffels, Connelly and Myers, were all playing so no excuses can be offered.

Whatever happens against Alexander, this will go down as Sunshine's Cup. Nobody gave them a chance but if they play as well, then Alexander will have to watch out.

Their stamina is undoubted so maybe there's another shock on the way.

In goal, Bill Johnson has been in top form this season and he is well backed up by two hard-tackling full backs in Frew and H. Seenan.

A solid half-back line of George Fantana, Roy Cochrane and Alby Seenan is capable of holding such players as Abonyi, Connelly and Stoffels which speaks for itself.

City's forward line, although spending much of Saturday's match helping the defence, are a bunch of battlers who are quick to seize on a chance so Alexander mustn't underestimate the combination of Martin, Ray and Bobby Pocock, Micky Banigan and Johnny Harris.

Ferntree Gully were not disgraced in losing 0-2 to South Melbourne Hellas and, by the way they played the game they were a credit to Metro Soccer.

The star for Gully was Peter Saes at right half, but he had plenty of support from Jim Davis in goal, Alan Elliott at full back, wing half Dougan and centre half van Stam.

Gully did get the ball in the net on one occasion, but the goal was disallowed for an infringement on the Hellas keeper.

Apart from this Leen Haers with a great shot from 30 yards went close, but generally Hellas held the upper hand and could have scored many more but for the strong Gully defence.

After the game you would have thought Ferntree Gully had won the Cup the way they sang the Club song in the dressing rooms but that's the way Gully enjoy their game.

We were all looking for great things from St. Albans, but they disappointed in losing 7-0 to Polonia.

The Saints were still in it up until half time with the score only 1-0 but the power of the Poles was too much after the interval.

The forward line of St. Albans was weak and only Bill Hilliard looked dangerous although Spiro Fragopoulos worked hard in mid-field.

Frank Marth and Butch Landher were the pick in defence.

The Dockerty Cup has once more provided us with surprises and this year has shown that the standard of Soccer in the Metro is on the improve. What a pity more clubs can't get a shot at the "big guns".

METRO MURMURS

● Triestina hope to have four new players next season all from the U.K. It looks as though the Fitzroy deal has fallen through because of the Federation's refusal to allow them to play on Sunday's. I understand Fitzroy Cricket Club are not too happy with the Soccer world at the moment.

● It's now on the cards that with some re-organisation in the camp, Flinders Naval Depot WILL play in Metro Competition next season.

● Understand that Altona's Steve Herman wants to try his luck with a State League club next season.

TAFFY'S FOCUS ON FORM POOLS

Don't expect a fortune if you had a line with eight draws last Saturday. There was 13 Draws — three in the First Division, four in the Second, two in the Third, three in the Fourth and two in the Scottish League games of those in the coupons.

Another point to consider is the way the draws appeared on the coupons, in the Second Division section three draws were together, and in the other four sections there were four pairs, from experience when this happens the dividends are well down.

The reason being that "perm" punters ofter enter consecutive matches in their entries and Saturday's results would delight them. The balance of the coupons were made up of 13 Aways and 27 Home winners.

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Received another 'phone call from that lucky punter I told you about last week, the one with the eight Draws in the one line, he was very happy, had received his congratulatory cable from the Pools firm on the Wednesday morning.

Also informed the lucky punter he would receive his cheque by registered air mail within a few days. It will be over £3,000 (sterling). He still wouldn't tell me his name or address.

Good luck to another happy Soccer News reader.

Liverpool are back on top of the First Division on goal average after their 3-1 home win against Chelsea. Two of the goals were scored by Tony Hateley, who cost Liverpool $237,500 from the London club.

Even if he can get off his knees, Kendall finds himself surrounded by a Fulham ring of Brown, Cohen and Ryan.

Tottenham are in second place after they won 2-1 at home over former leaders Sheffield Wed. who go down to third place. Sunderland crashed to seventh place after their shock loss at home 1-5, to West Ham.

In fourth place ar Notts Forest (won 4-0 at home against Newcastle) Manchester City (won 3-0 away at Coventry) Arsenal (won 4-2 away at Sheffield Utd.).

Manchester United have not started so well this season, and just managed to retain their unbeaten home record (which they have held since April, 1966), when they scored two goals in the last five minutes of their match at home to Burnley to equalise 2-2. The United are in eleventh place, one point ahead of Burnley.

Queens Park Rangers still in top place of the Second Division also on goal average, suffered their first defeat at home at the hands of Derby County by the only goal scored. Blackburn Rovers go to second after their 2-0 home win over Bristol City. One point behind them are Blackpool (won 3-0 home to Middlesborough), then follow Crystal Palace (won 3-0 home to Charlton), Birmingham (drew 1-1 at Carlisle), and Bolton (drew 1-1 at Ipswich).

Peterborough won 2-1 at Barrow to head Division 3, one point in front of Reading who also won away at Northampton. Then comes Torquay and Walsall (these two drew 1-1 at Walsall), and Bournemouth who lost 0-4, at Bury.,

Division 4 leaders are Chesterfield who won 3-1 at home with Chester, on goal average from Southend (beat Swansea 1-0 on Friday night), Aldershot are one point behind after their 2-0 home win over Crewe, then Lincoln City who won 1-0 at home to Halifax.

The opening of the Scottish League saw champions Celtic in great form with a 3-0 home win against Clyde. Rangers also won away 2-0 at Partick Thistle. Kilmarnock won 3-1 at home against newly-promoted Morton, Raith Rovers the other promoted team went down 1-2 at home, to Dunfermline.

Hibernians won the Edinburg "derby" away with a convincing 4-1 victory against Hearts.

The relegated pair St. Mirren and Ayr United shared the points when they drew 3-3.

Now for NEXT SATURDAY WEEK, SEPTEMBER 23, the following should win at Home:—

EIGHT AND NINE RESULTS

Arsenal, *Liverpool, *Notts Forest, *Blackburn Rovers, Ipswich Town, Millwall Ath., *Portsmouth, Queens Park Rangers, *Oldham Ath., *Aldershot, Luton Town, *Wrexham, *Celtic, *Kilmarnock.

FOUR AWAYS

Burnley, Peterborough, Reading, Brentford, Chesterfield, Rangers.

THREE DRAWS

Manchester United v. Tottenham, Blackpool v. Birmingham, Grimsby Town v. Torquay United.

TREBLE CHANCE

*Fulham v. West Ham, *Manchested United v. Tottenham, *Stoke City v. Southampton, *Aston Villa v. Crystal Palace, *Blackpool v. Birmingham, Hull City v. Middlesborough, *Grimsby Town v. Torquay United, Northampton Town v. Shrewsbury Town, Leyton Orient v. Brighton, *Oxford United v. Mansfield Town, Doncaster Rovers v. Rochdale, Workington v. Notts County, *Hearts v. Dundee, Motherwell v. Dunfermline.

* Indicates best selections.

GOOD LUCK, POOLS PUNTERS — TAFFY.

CANBERRA

The two games played Sunday were the preliminary final of the first division and the Reserve Grade grand final. In the former, Cooma defeated minor premiers Juventus 2-1 and will meet Croatia-Deakin in the Grand Final.

Since becoming champions Juventus has shown poor form and this was confirmed by the latest defeat. In the Reserve Grade game, Croatia and Olympic drew 2-2.

The night games which are taking the place of the Ampol Cup will be played at Queanbeyan on Tuesday and Thursday with two games being played on each night. This move has been forced on the Federation as after Sept. 17 only one ground will be available for Soccer in the A.C.T. — **Richard Lawson.**

BAILEY FUND

Latest donations for Ken Bailey Referee Fund: $20 Brighton S.C., $184 Soccer Referees Assn. of Vic., Proceeds of Revue; $10 Numurkah S.C.; $5 Croydon S.C. Balance $1,272.25. Fund closes Soccer House, Sept. 18 next.

OVERSEAS RESULTS

HOLLAND

Go Ahead 3, GVAV 1; ADO 2, Telstar 1; Fortuna 54 2, DOS 2; NAC 0, Fiejenoord 3; Ajax 7, Volendam 1; NEC 2, DWS 2; Sparta 5, Sittardia 0; Xerxes/DHC 2, MVV 1; PSV-FC 1, Twente 2.

PORTUGAL

Tirsense 0, Academica 4; Belenenses 0, Porto 2; Leixoes 1, Sporting 2; Braga 4, Barreirense 3; CUF 3, Sanjoanense 2; Setubal 1, Varzim 0; Benfica 2, Guinaraes 1.

YUGOSLAVIA

Red Star 2, Zeljeznicar 0; Hajduk 1, Olimpija 2; Vojvodina 0, Velez 0; Rijeka 3, Vardar 1; Radnicki 1, Proleter 0; Sarejevo 5, Zagreb 0; Maridor 2, Partizan 2; Dinamo 2,OFK Belgrade 0.

SPAIN

Real Sociedad 1, Pontevedra 0; Real Zaragossa 3, Barcelona 2; Atletico Madrid 2, Sadabell 0; Valencia 2, Real Betis 1; Atletico Bilbao 3, Cordoba 0.

HUNGARY

T.K. 0, Dunaujvaros 0; Salcotarjan 1, Gyoer 1; Diosgyoer 2, Dozsa Ujpest 2; Ferencvaros 7, Honved 1; Vasas 2, Csepel 2; Szombathely 3, Eger 2; Pecs 2, Tatabanya 1; Szeged 3, Komlo 2.

RUSSIA

Spartak Moscow 0, Rostov on Don Army Club 0; Wings of the Soviet (Kuibyshev) 0, Lokomotive Moscow 0; Zenit Leningrad 0, Zarya Lugansk 0; Dynamo Tbilisi 1, Neftyanik Baku 0; Torpedo Kutaisi 2, Ararat Yerevan 1; Chermomorets (Odessa) 0, Pakhtakor (Tashkent) 0; Dynamo Kiev 3, Kairat (Alma Ata) 0.

AUSTRIA

Eisenstadt 0, F.C. Austria 1; Admira Energie 7, Sturm Graz 0; GAK 1, Wacker Innsbruck 2; S.V. Bregenz 3, Rapid 1; F.C. Austria Klagenfurt 1, F.C. Austrian Wien 2; Sport Club 4, WSG Radenthein 2; F.C. Vienna v. Lask, postponed.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Lokomotiva Kosice 0, Spartak Tranava 0; Jednota Trenchin 3, Bohemians Praha 1; Sklo Union Teplice 1, Banik Ostrava 0; Slovan Bratuslava 5, Jednots Zilyna 0; Slavia Praha 0; Duklaipraha 3, Inter Bratislava 4; Skoda Pizen 2, VS Kosice 2.

WEST GERMANY BUNDESLIGA

Borussia Monchengladbach 8, F.C. Kaiserslautern 2; Borussia Neunkirchen 0, Alemannia Achen 1; Hamburger SV 1, M.S. Duisburg 3; Eintracht Frankfurt 1, FC Nurnberg 2; Karlsruher SC 3, Hannover 96 1; Munchen 1860 3, VFB Stuttgart 3; FC Koln 7, Schalke 0; Borussia Dortmund 6, Bayern Munchen 3; Eintracht Braunschweig 0, Werder Bremen 3.

Leading Teams: Borussia Monchengladbach 7-1, FC Nurnberg 7-1, MS Duisburg 7-1, FC Koln 6-2, Borussia Dortmund 6-2.

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APIA AND SAINTS IN FINAL?

By MARTIN ASTON

I am tipping a Sydney grand final between Apia and St. George Budapest.

Apia qualified for a spot in Sunday week's grand final by beating South Sydney Croatia 2-0 in last Sunday's round robin play-off at the Sydney Sports Ground.

They will play the winner of next Sunday's game between Croatia and St. George Budapest.

A draw in this game will result in St. George Budapest entering the grand final because last Sunday's 3-1 victory over Pan Hellenic has given it a superior goal average to Croatia.

Apia is not playing in peak form and made surprisingly hard work of beating a Croatia team which was drastically weakened by injury.

Croatia took the field with injured international winger Vic Reynolds, and suffered a further set-back when link man Tommy Snedden suffered a gash over the eye which required four stitches.

Snedden was forced to move onto the left-wing.

And as if this was not bad enough Frank Cush, the centre forward, twisted a knee which forced him to leave the field midway through the first half.

Croatia's defence gave an heroic display as Apia launched attack after attack but it was inevitable that something had to give.

A crack turned into a gaping hole early in the second half when Ricardo Campana sent across a lob from near the right post.

Billy Kerklaan had plenty of time to bring the ball under control and hit in a shot from point blank range which gave no chance to Croatia's goalkeeper Ron Corry.

Apia's second goal was a remarkable one.

Johnny Giacometti scored with a dipping, tantalising lob from 45 yards out which dropped just under the crossbar.

St. George Budapest played with such rhythm and purpose to outclass Pan Hellenic that they are my pick to beat Croatia and qualify for the grand final.

Pan Hellenic was a beaten side a long time before left-back Comino Omeros was sent from the field in the 39th minute of play.

The most significant factor for St. George Budapest was the greatly improved form shown by Frank McColgan and Victor Fernandez as they linked in attack with John Warren and David Cliss.

McColgan who was switched from the wing to centre-forward, revealed easily his most convincing form since coming from Victoria.

He opened the scoring for St. George Budapest with a glancing header after Fernandez had sent across a chip from the left.

Apia 2 (Kerklaan, Giacometti) beat **South Sydney Croatia 0.**

St. George Budapest 3 (McColgan, Warren, Fernandez) beat **Pan Hellenic 1** (Blitz).

Next Sunday's matches: St. George Budapest v. South Sydney Croatia, at 1.15 p.m.; Apia v. Pan Hellenic, at 3 p.m.

ACTION! Eddie Azzopardie, Alexander goalie, jumps high to take the ball off the head of Basil Korkourlakos. Terry Lockhurst (Juventus) looks on. Alexander won 1-0 to enter the next round of the Dockerty Cup.

$40,000 CLUB DEBTS

From MARTIN ASTON in Sydney

A Sydney first division Soccer club is in debt to the extent of $40,000.

Officials of the club were recently called before the N.S.W. Soccer Federation's management committee and asked to explain what was being done to pay the money.

The money has been loaned to the club by a number of supporters belonging to a particular migrant community.

The club is now in danger of being expelled from the Federation.

Only a year ago the Federation's management committee ordered the club to either amalgamate with a district club or move out of the inner city area to an outlying district.

The only problem is that there is not another club in Sydney who wants to figure in such an amalgamation because of the size of the debt involved.

I would say that there is no chance of the particular club ever raising enough money to repay the various loans.

The club was in danger of relegation to second division for most of the current season but managed to stage a late run which resulted in Cumberland United making the drop.

This provides a classic example of what can happen when a club makes big payments to players which are not anywhere near covered by the money coming through the turnstiles.

SOCCER NEWS NEXT WEEK

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WILHELMINA'S KIDS SHINE

Ringwood City Wilhelmina have produced three champion junior teams — Under 12, 14 and 16.

In the Under-12 Cup final they beat Bayswater 3-1. Goalscorers: Clive Myllett, Stephen Pongho, Quinton Waidron. Best: Myllett, Terry Purdie, Johnny van Dinther.

They won the Under-14 Cup final against Hellas 2-1. Goalscorers: Benny de Bruyckere, Richard Bens (Bens scored the best goal of the season). Best: Glen Robinson, Paul Irwin, Stephen Kelly.

N.S.W. POINTS TABLE

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts.
Apia	2	2	—	4	—	4
St. George Budapest	2	1	1	3	3	2
Croatia	2	1	1	1	2	2
Pan Hellenic	2	—	2	1	4	—

JUNIOR SOCCER

WESTERN SUBURBS

Under 16 Cup Final — Western Suburbs: Footscray J.U.S.T. 2 (Mystakidis, Todorovic) d. Newport-Polonia 1 (Zammit). The teams: J.U.S.T. — V. Bekut, P. Jovic, P. Distefano, D. Todorovic, J. Laird, M. Udorovic, S. Frantzeskos, C. Mystakidis, R. Banda, D. Rigg, L. Lofitis. Best: V. Bekut, P. Jovic, M. Udorovic, C. Mystakidis. Newport — T. Zombola, R. Sobczyk, W. Kinder, T. Klaniscek, D. Millar, C. Neal, S. Steart, C. Hatzopoulos, B. Bartkiewicz, R. Caruana, R. Zammit. Best: C. Neal, R. Zammit, D. Miller.

Under 14 Western Suburbs Cup Final: Footscray-J.U.S.T. 4 (Picioane, Dosen, Domenico, Pepe) d. Ardeer 0. The teams: J.U.S.T. — H. van der Poel, G. Rajacic, G. Martinovic, A. Lindberg, P. Divitarov, P. Hojsan, T. Falcone, A. Todorovic, A. Dosen, S. Pepe, S. Domenico, J. Picioane. Best — P. Divitarov, J. Picioane, P. Hojsan, A. Lindberg. Ardeer — J. Niemczyk, L. Calleja, M. Rewkiewicz, H. Suski, S. Sowula, T. Wlodarczyk, J. Adamewicz, P. Csigmadia, M. Skilnyk, P. Knihinskij, J. Dykun, G. Stanek, W. Herda. Best: S. Sowula, P. Knihinskij, J. Dykin.

After the game cup, medals and pennants were presented by Mr. M. Vasjuta to J.U.S.T. juniors, as winners of Cup and League competition. Also a special trophy was presented to Peter Divitarov (J.U.S.T.) who finished best and fairest player in Western Suburbs under 14, five votes ahead of D. Welsh (Corio-Geelong). Under 14 postponed game: Sunshine City 5 (Kotaridis 2, Ferrara, Mussel, Banagan) d. Deer Park-I.C.I. 0 Best: Sunshine City: F. Mussel, R. Ferrara, C. Tzimokas. Deer Park: R. Hately, O. Karfut, S. Sliwinski.

Under 12 Western Suburbs Cup Final: Altona 5 (Spencer 2, Little, Roberts, Reardon) d. Sunshine City 1 (Horrel). Best: Altona — A. Donnelly, R. Gilpin, N. Little. Sunshine City: D. Xerry, P. Buttigieg, R. Horrel.

Under 12 trophy for best and fairest player went to Nat Little of Altona who collected 28 votes, while second S. O'Brien (Sunshine City "B") has only 17.

Under 12 league postponed game: Newport 1 w.o. Sunshine City "A" 0

Under 10 Trial Game: Representative team under 10 years 2 (J. Hermann, D. Abela) lost to South Sunshine under 12 (Tanner 2, Evans).

Next week-end Victorian Junior Cup Draws — Quarter Finals: Under 18: Geo. Cross v. Croatia at Royal Parade, Parkville, Saturday, September 16th, 2.30 p.m.

Other quarter finals are postponed for 23rd of September due to replay in South of Yarra Cup Final.

Under 16: George Cross v. J.U.S.T. at Royal Parade, Parkville, September 16th, at 1 p.m. Newport v. Ringwood - Wilhelmina at Grey Reserve, Williamstown, September 16th at 1 p.m. Others postponed for September 23rd.

Under 14: Ardeer v. Monash at Helene Reserve, Ardeer, September 17th, at 2 p.m. George Cross v. Wilhelmina at Royal Parade, September 16th, 10 a.m. Moe v. Alexander at Moe, Sunday, September 17, 2 p.m. Hellas v. J.U.S.T. at Middle Park, September 16, 10 a.m.

Under 12: Moe v. Croatia at Racecourse Car Park, Moe, Sunday, September 17th, 2.45 p.m. Sunshine City v. Wilhelmina at Gardner Res., Sunshine, Saturday, September 16, 10 a.m. Box Hill v. Altona at Wembley Park, Canterbury Rd., Box Hill, September 16, 10 a.m. Bayswater v. Monash at Elizabeth St., Bayswater, Sunday, September 17th, 2 p.m.

Under 10: Moe v. J.U.S.T. at Racecourse Car Park, Moe, Sunday, September 17th, 1.30 p.m. Fortuna v. Rangers at Jarralong Reserve, Princes Highway, Morwell, Sunday, Sept. 17th, 2 p.m. Sunshine Hgts v. Wilhelmina, at Catley Reserve, Glengala Rd., Sunshine, September 17th, 2 p.m. Hakoah v. Sunshine City at Middle Park, September 17th, 2 p.m.

LATROBE VALLEY

Battle of Britain Cup Final: Rangers 5, Pegasus 2.

Shopwell Trophy (Reserves): Pegasus 5, Rangers 0.

Under 12: Falcons 0, Fortuna 1; Newborough 2, Moe 4; Pegasus 0, Monash 13; Rangers 0, Yallourn 0.

Under 10: Fortuna 3, Rovers 0; Moe 1, Newborough 6; Monash 7, Koalas 0; Yallourn 0, Rangers 1.

Under 14: Fortuna 10, Wonthaggi 0; Spartans 0, Monash 15; Pegasus 2, Yallourn 0.

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